

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application based on the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Page 3 of the specification as filed is hereby amended to remove a drafting comment that was inadvertently left in the specification when the application was filed. Entry of the amendment to the specification is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejected claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for stating that the deposit is etched to form a mirror. Claim 2 is hereby amended to clarify the subject matter of the claim. Withdrawal of the Section 112 rejection of claim 2 is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C §102(b) as anticipated by United States Patent No. 3,658,528. According to the Examiner, the cited reference “teaches a curved substrate ... which a deposit is placed upon ... and the deposit is cured via a lamp.”

U. S. Patent No. 3,658,528 discloses a method for producing a finished optical surface, which method eliminates the need for polishing. In contrast, Applicants are claiming a curved surface for use in molding, which is neither taught nor suggested by the cited patent. Because the reference does not teach or suggest Applicants’ claimed invention, it cannot be used to support a Section 102(b) rejection and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,160,749. According to the Examiner, this reference “teaches a curved substrate ... having a deposit ... the deposit being cured by a light source ...”

Applicants are claiming a curved surface for use in molding obtained by depositing a radiation-curable material on a substrate. In contrast, U.S. Patent 5,160,749 teaches a mold for making an ocular device. The reference is devoid of any teaching or suggestion to make a molding surface of the mold as claimed by Applicants. Because the reference fails to teach or suggest at least one element of Applicants' claimed invention, it cannot be found to anticipate the invention and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Entry of the amendments and allowance of the amended claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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